Nelson Mandela College of Government and Social Sciences
Graduate Program Calendar (PPOL)
Fall 2023 Calendar

August

18	Clearances to defend received
21	Classes Begin
22	PPOL New Student Orientation 5:00 pm
23 thru 24	**Proposal and Final Defenses**
25	Proposal Submissions
28	PPOL Continuing Student Meetng 5:00 pm
30	Final ADD/DROP Date

September

1	College/Department Deadline for Graduation Applications
4	Labor Day Holiday
5	Classes Resume
5	Defense notices to students
7	Mandatory Reporting
8	Graduate School Deadline for Graduation Applications
12	Financial Aid Disbursements
15	Graduate School Last Date to Accept International Applications Spring 2024
21 and 22	**Final Defenses**
22	Dissertation and Proposal Submissions Due (Traditional)

October

2	Comprehensive Notices to Students and Defense Notices to Students
2	Graduate School Appointment to Candidacy Form Due
5 and 6	Fall Break
9	Classes Resume
9 thru 13	**Defense Week Traditional**
15	Graduate School Last Day for Domestic Applications for Spring 2024
16-20	Mid-Term Exams
23-27	Comprehensive Exam Week
25	Midterm Grades DUE
28	Last day to Withdraw
31	Oral Comprehensive Exams

November

1 thru 2	Oral Comprehensive Exams
6	Priority Registration Begins
13	Spring 2024 Spring Registration
13	Last day to submit final edited document to department for signatures
17	Graduate School Last Date to Defend

20	Last day to upload document to Graduate School
22 thru 24	Thanksgiving Break
23-24	University Closed
27	Classes Resume

December

1	Last Day of Classes
4	Departmental Upload to ProQuest and SED Deadline
4 thru 8	Final Exams
5	Graduate School Last Day to Upload to ProQuest and SED Deadline
12	Final Grades Due for Degree Candidates
13	Final Grades Due for Non-Degree Candidates
15	Fall Commencement @ 10 a.m.